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(57) Abstract			
<p>The present invention relates to modified food products, and especially low homocysteogenic dairy products, where the modification comprises enriching the food product with Vit B6, and optionally Folic acid, B12, and Mg. High methionine, and high methionine: B6 ratio foods, as well as low B6 intake can cause methionine load with resulting increase of hyper HCY. Folic acid is another major factor in reducing HCY. Hyper homocysteine (HCY) has been recently defined as an independent risk factor for CVD (Cardio Vascular Diseases) and can cause damage in other conditions i.e. mental, skeletal and immunological.</p>			

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FOOD PRODUCTS HAVING REDUCED METHIONINE RATIOS

The present invention relates to foods, particularly dairy products, modified for reducing the homocysteogenic potential, by enriching with Vit B6 and optionally folic acid, magnesium, the cofactors of homocysteine metabolism, thus reducing the ratio of methionine, the ultimate source of homocysteine to these vitamins, minerals and/or nutrients.

The food modifications for reducing the homocysteogenic potential is accomplished by modifying the ratio between the methionine, the ultimate source of homocysteine and the nutritional cofactors involved in further metabolism of the homocysteine: mainly B6 and optionally with folic acid, B12, magnesium, cysteine.

Two methods of application of the invention, internal to the food products and by external application (i.e., by adding sauces, dips, gravies, and syrups enriched with B6 and optionally folic acid, magnesium), are described.

As high methionine foods confer a methionine load which cause post ingestion increase in plasma homocysteine, and as exposure to high homocysteine was found to bear cardio vascular risk, it is advisable to modify foods with high homocysteogenic potential, in order to reduce the resulting damaging effects.

The two main pathways for reducing the homocysteine are: 1. Via remethylation back to methionine (the cofactors of this pathway are folic acid, B12, Betaine); and 2. Via the transulfuration to cysteine, taurine and SO₄ (the main cofactor here is B6).

Thus, it is expected that the higher methionine concentration in the food serving and the lower the B6, the higher the potential risk for post ingestion increase in methionine and homocysteine. Thus, it will be advised to modify the homocysteogenic ratio, namely reducing the methionine: B6 ratio by enriching the high methionine foods with B6, proportionally to the concentration of methionine.

Most of the scientific literature regarding to the significance of hyperhomocysteinemia relates to cardio-vascular-disease (CVD). However, it has been found that hyperhomocysteinemia is associated also with other health and mental risks, e.g. high homocysteine (HCY) and manic depressions, seizure disorders, depression, asthma and migraine headaches. All said diseases respond extremely well to Vit B6 therapy. (Braverman and Pfeiffer, 1987, In: The Healing nutrients within, D. Homocysteine, p. 155-162, Keats Publish.Inc.New Canaan, Conn.). This can be done due to the fact that HCY is a most excitatory amino acid. Representative reports regarding recent research evidence on the

mental implications of hyper-HCY and/or interrupted sulfur-amino acid metabolism are in particular presented in the following articles:

Regland et. al., J. Neural. Transmission general section, 1994, 98(2):143-152; Regland et. al., 1995 J. Neural Transmission, general section, 100(2):165-9; Santhosh et. al., 1995, Medical Hypothesis, 43(4):239-244).

HCY or tHCY in connection with the present invention refer to the sum of the multiple forms of homocysteine, homocystine and cysteine-homocysteine complex.

The significance of hyper-HCY for skeletal and cross linking of collagen was also documented in animal models and in humans. (Cook et. al., 1994, Poult. Sci. 73(6):889-96; Wolos et. al., 1993, J. Immunol. 151(1):526-34; Levene et. al., 1992, Int. J. Exp. Pathol. 73(5):613-24; Masse et. al., 1990, Scanning Microsc. 4(3):667-73 discussion on p.674).

The issue of the relationship of CVD and of hyper-HCY was recently recognized as a major dietary risk factor. (Stampfer et. al., 1992, JAMA, 268:877-881; Dywer, 1995, J. Nutr. 125 (3rd supplement): 656-665s). Levels of HCY associated with elevated risk of myocardial infarct (MI) are common among U.S. adults. (Willet, 1995, J. Nutr. 125 (3rd supplement): 647-655s). In the Framingham heart study 20% of the individuals had high plasma HCY which was associated with low intake of Vit B6 and of folic acid. (Selhub et. al., 1993, JAMA, 271:2193-8).

Many studies have shown that elevated total HCY levels are frequently found in patients suffering from arteriosclerosis effecting coronary, cerebral and peripheral arteries. (Clarke et. al., 1991, N. J. Med. 324:1149-1155); Bors et. al., 1995, N. Engl. J. Med. 332:709-715; Duduman et. al., 1993, Arterioscler. Tromb. 13:1253-1260; Stabler et. al., 1988, J. Clin. Invest. 81:466-1974; Malinow et. al., 1990, Coron. Arter. Dis., 1:215-20; Franken et. al., 1994, Arterioscl. Thromb., 14:465-70). Earlier studies had shown that the effect of HCY levels on vascular diseases appeared to be independent from LDL or HDL, diabetes mellitus, smoking body mass index, high blood pressure and age. (The LDL is the high cholesterol and high risk fraction in the human plasma. HDL is the protective lipoprotein fraction). (Pancarunity et. al., 1994, Am. J. Clin. Nutrit. 59:941-8)

The above considerations lead to the conclusion that hyperhomocysteinemia is an independent risk factor although some correlations exist between HCY with other risk factors, i.e. between HCY and advanced age, reduced physical activity, increased smoking, higher cholesterol levels and increased diastolic pressure. (Nygard et. al., 1995, JAMA, 274(19):1526-33).

A meta-analysis provided considerable evidence that elevated HCY levels were associated with an increased risk of arteriosclerotic vascular diseases. This association meets the criteria of causality (Ill AB, 1965, Proc. R. Soc. Med. 58:295-300), consistency, strength, temporality and biological plausibility. Elevated t-HCY levels precede the occurrence of coronary heart diseases. (Stampfer et. al., 1992, JAMA268:877-881). Early signs of premature carotid arterial stenosis were found by ultrasound among heterozygotes for homocystinuria. (Rubbert. al. 1990, Metabolism 1191-1195; Clarke et. al., 1992, Ir. J. Med. Sci. 161:61-65) and in individuals with moderate hyperhomocysteinemia. (Malinow et. al., 1993, Circulation, 87:332-328-329; Sehlhub et. al., 1995, N. Engl. J. Med. 332:286-291); Stampfer et. al., 1995, N. Engl. J. Med. 332:328-329). The association was consistent across studies by different investigators using a variety of methods in different populations of various geographic areas. Both prospective and case-controlled studies indicate a significant positive association. (Boushey et. al., 1995, JAMA, 274:1049-1057).

BIOLOGICAL MECHANISMS

For a long time the administration of HCY was used as an experimental tool to demonstrate that endothelial cell damage is probably an essential preliminary factor for the development of atherosclerotic plaques.

Direct toxicity of HCY to the endothelium has been reported in laboratory studies (Dudman et. al., 1993, Atherocler. Thromb., 13:1253-1260; Wall et. al., 1980, Thromb. Res. 18:113-121; Blann, 1994, Atherosclerosis, 94:89-91), but under much higher concentrations than have been found in vivo. (Harker et. al. 1976, J. Clin. Invest. 58: 731-741; Mudd et. al., 1995, Disorders of trans-sulfuration. The metabolic and molecular bases of inherited disease, N.Y. McGraw-Hill Inc. 1279-1327) Fenton and Rosenberg, 1995, (Inherited disorders, of Cobalamin transport and metabolism in Scriver et. al., Eds, N.Y. McGraw Hill Inc. 3129-3149,) showed endothelial desquamation in vivo in baboons infused with HCY or homocystine at the high levels typical of patients with homocystinuria. HCY has also been shown to increase DNA synthesis in vascular smooth muscle cells being consistent with early arteriosclerotic lesions and to induce these cells to proliferate while impeding the regeneration of endothelial cells (Arker et. al., 1974, N. Engl. J. Med. 291:537-543), to disrupt cross linking and thus to inhibit cysteine and glutathione (Braverman et. al., 1987). Moreover, it causes oxidation of LDL (Heinecke et. al., 1984, J. Clin. Invest., 74:1890-1894), that leads them to be recognized by human arterial smooth muscle cells in culture (Parthasarathy, 1987, Biochim. Biophys. Acta, 917:337-350). The

effects of HCY on vascular hemostatic properties have included decreased thrombo modulin cell surface expression and inhibition of protein C activation, thus probably contributing to the development of thrombosis (Rosenblat et. al. Inherited disorders of folate transport and metabolism, 1995, N.Y. McGraw Hill Inc. 3111-3128).

GENETIC FACTORS

The variation in serum HCY in the population reflects both genetic and nutrition factors. Comparison of identical and non-identical twins have suggested a high heritability of high HCY levels (Berg et. al., 1992, Clin. Genet. 41:315-321; Reed et. al., 1991, Clin. Genet., 89:425-428). However, the presence of proband-spouse correlations indicate a role for nutritional factors. (Williams et. al., Dis. 1990, Coron. Artery., 1:681-685; Genest et. al., 1991, Arterioscler. Thromb. 11:1129-1136).

A thermolabile variant of methylene tetrahydro folate reductase can explain about 17% of CVD patients and 28% of patients suffering of a premature vascular disease who had hyperhomocysteinemia. The latter condition can be treated by administering folic acid (Kang et. al., 1988, Am. Hum. Genet. 43:414-421).

Altogether the genetic origin of the high tHCY can most probably not account for the frequency of hyperhomocysteinemia in the population.

NUTRITIONAL FACTORS

Besides the genetic factors, which in most cases are successfully handled by dietary supplements, hyperhomocysteinemia may result primarily from diet due to either high intake of methionine or inadequate intake of the cofactors Vit B6, folic acid, magnesium, cysteine and/or Vit B12 which are involved in converting HCY into methionine or degradation of HCY to keto-butyrate. Both conditions, namely high methionine and low Vit B6 and/or other cofactors can exist in animal protein, i.e. in dairy products.

*THE RISK OF HIGH METHIONINE DIETS:

Feeding rabbits a methionine enriched diet for 6-9 months resulted in a significant increase in plasma and in aortic TBARS levels and in aortic antioxidative enzyme activities. Histological examination of aortas showed typical atherosclerotic changes, e.g. blood vessels' intimal thickening, deposition of cholesterol and calcification (Toborek et. al. 1995, Atherosclerosis, 115(2):217-24).

In mini pigs, high methionine, caseinate based diet lead to hyperhomocysteinemia which induced vascular alterations favoring the viscous component vs the elastic component

(Roland et. al., 1995, Circulation, 91(4):1161-74.) Tumor cells are totally dependent on exogenous methionine whereas normal cells may substitute for an alternative sulfur compound. This difference was suggested to be used for a therapeutic purpose (Breillout et. al., 1990, J. Nat. Cancer. Inst., 82(20):1628-32).

THE ANTI-RISK CO-FACTORS

VIT B6:

Homocysteine is a natural amino acid metabolite of the methionine, but it occurs only transiently before being converted into the harmless cystathione by (Cystathione synthase). Cystathione is then cleaved to form cysteine, 2-ketobutyrate and ammonium ions (by cystathioninase). Both enzymes involved comprise pyridoxal (Vit B6) phosphate as coenzyme.

It has long been known that low Vit B6 intake may produce arterial intimal damage. McCully et. al., 1975, (Arteriosclerosis, 22:215-227) noted that children with homocysteinuria, characterized by homozygous deficiency of cystathione synthase, suffer early in life from atherosclerosis. The authors hypothesized that even less extreme levels of homocysteinemia may increase coronary heart disease risk prematurely.

It has been found that addition of Vit B6 (pyridoxine) is the most effective additive in reducing elevated HCY following a methionine load test, whereas folic acid has been found to be most effective in reducing fasting HCY (Brattstrom et. al., 1990, Atherosclerosis, 81:51-60; Brattstrom et. al., 1992, A. Neural. Res., 14:81). The addition of Vit B6 did not prevent high fasting plasma HCY in adults but it reduced the HCY levels in fast growing rats when the requirements of HCY were increased (Coburn, 1990, Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci., 585:76-85) as well as under methionine load (Miller et. al., 1992, Am. J. Clin. Nutr. 55:1154-1160). Hyperhomocysteinemic cysteinemia was defined by two alternative measures, namely high fasting level and/or after oral methionine loading. Bother showed to be independent risk factors for CVD (Boston et. al., Artherosclerosis, 116:147-51). The authors found that 75% of those with post-methionine loading hyperHCY had fasting total HCY concentrations below the 75th percentile (10.7 mc mole/l). They therefore concluded that fasting total plasma HCY determination alone fails to identify a sizable percentage, more than 40% of persons who have clinically relevant hyperhomocysteinemia post methionine loading. This emphasizes the importance of Vit B6 coming together with high methionine foods. Folic acid can reduce HCY by re-mythylation and thus produce methionine. Thus this step seems to be less effective under methionine load.

Vit B6 deficiency can block the pathway of HCY catabolism to cysteine and thus reduce the availability of cysteine. Accumulated aggregates of HCY with cysteine to form mixed disulfides can further lead to secondary cysteine deficiency, that can effect the glutathione antioxidative system, which is important for cardio-vascular health. Diets high in meat and dairy products, which comprise a large amount of methionine, require more Vit. B6, but often contain less B6 due to losses during food processing (Papaioannou, 1986, Medical Hypothesis, cited in Braverman and Pfeiffer et al., 1987). Supplementing Vit B6 to rats, following 5 weeks on a Vit B6 deficient diet based on 70% casein dramatically decreased the liver ratio methionine:HCY which causes the reduction of the ratio PE (phosphatidyl ethanol) to PC (phosphatidyl-choline) in liver microsomes (She et. al., 1995, Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem., 59(2): 163-7).

Folic Acid:

Homocysteine increases as folic acid decreases in plasma of healthy men during short term dietary folic acid and methyl group restriction (Jacob et. al., J. Nutr. 1994, 124(7):-1072-80). The possible association of folic acid deficiency with homocysteinemia was recently investigated. (Kang et. al., 1987, Metabolism 36; 458-462; Stabler, et. al., 1988, J. Clin. Invest. 81:466-74). They demonstrated a striking negative correlation between serum folic acid concentrations and protein-bound HCY. Moderate to severe homocysteinemia was observed in all subjects with serum folic acid concentrations of 4.5 nmol/l and in the majority of subjects with low normal serum concentrations (4.5-8.8 nmol/l). HCY concentrations ranging from 17-185 mc mole/l (normal 7-22) were observed in 18 of 19 folic acid deficient individuals. These findings provide a new biochemical test for the assessment of the folic acid nutritional status. The homocysteinemia was corrected by the oral addition of folic acid (1 mg/d) but reappeared 12 weeks after said addition was discontinued. Kang et. al.; 1988 (Metabolism 37:611-613) surprisingly found that a high proportion (20%) of coronary heart disease patients suffered from thermolabile methylene tetrahydro folic acid reductase. As a result of the half-life of the body folic acid seems to be shorter than normal as indicated by the rapid reappearance of homocysteinemia after discontinuation of the addition of folic acid. Thus, it seems that the homocysteine metabolism is dependent also on the presence of a suitable amount of vit B12, folic acid and under certain circumstances of betaine.

These results support previous suggestions that increased plasma homocysteine concentrations provide a marker of functional folic acid deficiency and further indicate that

individuals may differ greatly in their susceptibility to hyperhomocysteinemia due to low folate intakes.

Folic acid appears to be the most effective agent against hyperHCY as it reduced fasting levels even when given alone. Low folic acid status is most commonly caused by low dietary folic intake (Stampfer, et. al., 1995, N. Eng. J. Med., 332:328-329).

400 mcg of folic acid/day is required to level plasma HCY (Davis et. al., 1994, Faseb. J. 8:A248 Abstract). This requirement resulted in the public health proposal for folic acid fortification, i. e., addition to flour and grains at 350 mcg/100 g (Boushhey, et. al., 1995, JAMA, 274:1049-1057).

The folic acid-Vit B12 required re-methylation of homocysteine to methionine normally converts ~50% of available homocysteine back to methionine. When this step is inhibited, either due to Vit B12 deficiency or inborn faults of Vit 12 metabolism or folic acid metabolism, it was shown to elevate the concentration of circulating homocysteine to values thought to represent an important risk factor for the development of occlusive vascular disease (Baum-gartner, et. al., 1980, J. Inherited Metab. Dis.:101-103; Kang, et. al., 1986, U. Clin. Invest 77:1482-1486.)

VIT B12:

Vit B12 alone is effective in lowering HCY levels in cases with overt cobalamine deficiency (Brattstrom et. al., 1990, Atherosclerosis, 81:51-60; Brattstrom et. al., 1988, Metabolism, 37:175-178; Lindenbaum et. al., 1988, N. Eng. J. Med. 318:1720-1729).

The close association between Vit B12 and HCY suggests that HCY is another indicator of intracellular cobalamine functions in adults and in youngsters (Schneede et. al., 1994, Pediatr. Res. 36(2):194-201). Vit B12 deficiency in sheep caused lipid accumulation, peroxidation and decreased liver Vit E (Kennedy et. al. 1994, Int. J. Vitam. Nutr. Res., 64(4):270-6). This results suggest that the initiation of peroxidation is related to the increase in plasma homocysteine.

MAGNESIUM:

Recently it was found that magnesium is essential for the Vit B6 function as the enzyme pyridoxal phosphatase is activated by magnesium and inhibited by calcium (Fonda et. al. 1995, Arch. Biochem. Biophys. 320(2):345-52). The formation of S-adenosyl-methionine (SAM), via the methionine adenosyl transferase enzyme, which is the first step in the methionine metabolism, is dependent on the presence of an appropriate amount of

magnesium. The SAM is formed by the transfer of the adenosyl group from adenosyl-triphosphate (ATP) to the sulfur atom of methionine. Recently it was suggested that SAM activates the cystathione - β -synthase even under

Vit B6 deficiency. This emphasizes the importance of the presence of magnesium in the high methionine metabolic environment (Miller et. al. 1992, Am. J.Clin. Nutr., 55:1154-1160).

Milk products comprise generally a low amount of magnesium and the ratio methionine/magnesium is very high. Enriching the milk product with magnesium could contribute to facilitate the methionine metabolism.

THE TECHNOLOGICAL FOOD ENVIRONMENT

DAIRY PRODUCTS:

Dairy products are among the foods highest in methionine/VIT B6 ratio in low fat Ricotta, for example, the ratio methionine/

Vit B6 is 14245:1 (mg/mg). In many beef varieties it is around 2000 and in many cereals it is around 500. Regarding the RDA (recommended daily allowance) 1 cup (226 g) of low fat cottage cheese 2% contains 934 mg of methionine, which corresponds about to 200% of the RDA but only 0.172 mg of Vit B6 which is 8.6% of the RDA. In this case the ratio methionine:Vit B6 is 5430. At the same time, the concentrations of folic acid and magnesium are proportionally quite low, i.e. one cup of low fat 2% cottage cheese contains 16% and 4% of the RDA for folic acid and magnesium, respectively. Here, the methionine concentration (as % of RDA) is 20, 13, and 50 times higher than that of the above metabolic cofactors, respectively.

CASEIN:

Research studies showed that the presence of casein rendered the diet much more atherogenic and cholesterolemic than soy protein or flour (Howard et. al., 1965, Atherosclerosis Res. J.:330-337). Plasma cholesterol concentrations was doubled in rabbits fed on casein based cholesterol free diets 3.23 mmol/l compared to 1.37 and 1.66 following soy protein and basal diets, respectively. (Meeker et. al. 1940, 1941, cited in Kritchevsky, 1995, J. Nutr. 125:589S-593S.) The authors attributed the difference to the amino acid composition of the individual proteins. Kritchevsky et. al. 1959, Arch. Biochem. Biophys., 85:444-451)) examined the effects of casein and of soy protein in conventional and germ free chickens. The casein-containing diet was more cholesterolmia in every case.

WHEY

Compared with the casein fraction in milk, in Whey-Acid-Dry the proportions of the cofactors are much better: in 100 g of whey (345Kc) of 49% RDA of methionine and 39, 19, 124 and 74% of RDA for Vit B6, folic acid, Vit B12 and magnesium, respectively.

Human milk has a much higher whey : casein ratio than cows milk. Increasing the ratio of the Whey fraction is the basic step for converting cows milk ingredients into humanized infant milk formula.

Low amounts of cysteine are part of the risks related to improper methionine and homocysteine metabolism and/or hyperhomocysteinemia.

Human milk as other initial foods, e.g. eggs and wheat germ, comprises a high proportion of cystine, i.e. the ratio methionine: cystine for wheat germ is 1.0 and for eggs 1.3. compared to 3.3 in low fat, 2% cottage cheese; 2.4 for cream cheese (35% fat); and 3.2 for low fat yoghurt.

DEFICIENCIES RELATED TO PROCESSING**Vit B6:**

Vit B6 is water-soluble. It is very sensitive. Processing can result in considerable loss of its activity: 15 to 70% in freezing fruits and vegetables; 50% to 70% in processing meats, 50% to 90% in milling grain.

FOLIC ACID:

Folic acid is water soluble, is easily destroyed by cooking, and is susceptible to degradation by processing and canning of vegetables and refining of grains.

Vit B12:

Vit B12 is relatively stable in heat and light. It is stored to some degree in liver, kidney, lungs and spleen. Thus, it can be balanced easier, and not all the required amount has to be eaten every day.

CYSTEINE:

A further advantage of human milk resides in the fact that it comprises a larger amount of cysteine. Whereas in human milk the ratio of methionine to cystine is 1:1, in cows milk it is 3:1. Cysteine, is a very crucial amino acid involved in the production of glutathione, which is a main factor in the detoxification and antioxidative systems. Glutathione, a cysteine-containing tripeptide, is the most abundant non-protein thiol in mammal cells. Glutathione plays an important role in the detoxification of xenobiotic compounds and in the antioxidation of reactive oxygen species and free radicals. Its major

function and involvement in diseases explain how dietary changes for increasing its concentration is important (Bray et. al., 1993, Can J. Physiol. Pharmacol. 71(9): 746-51). The supply of glutathione for detoxification purposes may be reduced by the supply of intracellular cysteine to serve as a precursor for glutathione synthesis through the gamma glutamyl cycle (Smith et. al., 1991, Adv. Exp. Med. Biol. 289:165-9).

When sulfur amino acids effects on blood lipids were compared in rats, serum lipid values were greater on proteins supplemented with methionine, while the addition of cysteine produced lower lipid levels (Kis, 1990, Plant Foods Hum. Nutr. 1990 40(4):2-97-308). A recent research showed that animal proteins, such as casein, are more hypercholesterolemic than soy protein, interpreted as mainly due to the presence of lysine and methionine. The effect was more pronounced in hypercholesterolemics (Carrol et. al., 1995, J. Nutr. 125 (3 supplement): 594S-597S)

It has thus been desirable to produce dairy products in which the amounts of the cofactors of the methionine metabolism, in particular of Vit B6, and optionally of magnesium, folic acid, Vit B12, and cysteine are increased thereby reducing the ratio of methionine to these cofactors. The present invention thus consists in variety of foods and/ or dairy products in which the ratio methionine:Vit B6 (mg/mg) is reduced to below the starting (or base) methionine: vit B6 ratio, preferably reduced to a ratio of 100-3000:1, more preferably to 300-2000, most preferably to 450 – 1000 : 1. Especially preferred are products where the ratio of methionine: Vit B6 is reduced to 100 - 1400 : 1, preferably 300 - 600 : 1, and advantageously 340 - 400 : 1.

The present invention will now be illustrated with reference to the following examples without being limited by them. The examples present the suggested concentrations of Vitamins B6 and B12, folic acid, magnesium and cysteine. The marked figures represent firstly the original/endogenic concentration and then a final representative concentration.

The amounts to be added are complementary to the original concentrations. Thus, the added amount will be calculated by subtraction of the original content from the final desired value. The percentages represent the values as % of the Israeli RDA for adult males (50-70).

When designing a Vit B6 enriched dairy product when the methionine analysis is not clear, the calculation will be performed in such a manner that the values are added for each ingredient.

EXAMPLES**ORIGINAL CONCENTRATION****FINAL CONCENTRATIONS****Example 1**CHEESE COTTAGE LOWFAT-1% - 1/2 CUP 113G.

KCAL-82KC -4%

PROTEIN- 14G -28%

CARBOHYDRATE- 3G-1%

FAT- 1.1G -2%

Vit B6- 0,077MG-3.85%

0.54 MG

27%

FOLIC ACID-0.014MG-7%

0.047 MG

23%

Vit B12- 0.72MCG-36%

CALCIUM- 69MG-9%

MAGNESIUM- 6MG-1.7%

80 MG

23%

METHIONINE- 422MG-79%

CYSTINE- 130MG-24%

Example 2MILK 1% LOW-FAT-FLUID 1 CUP 244G

KCAL- 102KC-5%

PROTEIN- 8G-16%

CARBOHYDRATE- 11.7G-4%

FAT- 2.6G-7%

Vit B6- 0.105MG-5.3%

0.36 MG

18%

FOLIC ACID -0.012MG-6%

0.056 MG

28%

Vit B12- 0.9MG-45%

CALCIUM- 300MG-37%

MAGNESIUM- 34MG-9.7%

87.5 MG

25%

METHIONINE- 201MG-38%

CYSTINE- 74MG-14%

Example 3CHEESE-CREAM 1 OUNCE 28.35G

KCAL- 99.8KC-5%

PROTEIN- 2.17G-4%

CARBOHYDRATE- 0.8G-0%

FAT- 9.98G-14%

Vit B6- 0.013MG-0.65% 0.06MG 3%

FOLIC ACID- 0.004MG-2% 0.006MG 3%

Vit B12- 0.12MCG-6%

CALCIUM- 23.26MG-3%

MAGNESIUM- 2.0MG-0.6% 14 MG 4%

METHIONINE- 51.5MG-9.7%

CYSTINE- 19.2MG-3.5%

Example 4

MILK CHOCOLATE-1% LOWFAT 1 CUP 250G

KCAL- 158KC-7%

PROTEIN- 8.1G-16%

CARBOHYDRATE- 26G-9%

FAT- 2.5G-3%

Vit B6- 0.1MG-5% 0.36 MG 18%

FOLIC ACID- 0.012MG-6% 0.046 MG 23%

Vit B12- 0.855MCG-43%

CALCIUM- 287MG-36%

MAGNESIUM- 33MG-9.4% 98 MG 28%

METHIONINE- 203MG-38%

CYSTINE- 75MG-14%

Example 5

YOGURT-PLAIN-LOWFAT 1 CUP 227G

KCAL- 144KC-7%

PROTEIN- 11.9G-24%

CARBOHYDRATE- 16G-6%

FAT- 3.6G-5%

Vit B6- 0.11MG-5.5% 0.036 MG 18%

FOLIC ACID- 0.025MG-12.5% 0.050 MG 25%

Vit B12- 1.28MCG-64%

CALCIUM- 415MG-52%

MAGNESIUM- 40MG-11.4% 88 MG 25%

METHIONINE- 351MG-65%

CYSTINE- 109MG-20%

Example 6

CHEESE-COTTAGE WITH FRUIT 1/4 CUP 56G

KCAL- 69.8KC-3%

PROTEIN- 5.6G-11%

CARBOHYDRATE- 7.5G-3%

FAT- 1.9G-3%

Vit B6- 0.03MG-1.5%

0.36 MG

18%

FOLIC ACID- 0.0055MG-2.75%

0.046 MG

23%

Vit B12-0.28 MCG-14%

0.36 MCG

18%

CALCIUM- 27MG-3%

MAGNESIUM- 2.25MG-0.6%

87.5 MG

25%

METHIONINE- 168MG-31%

CYSTINE- 51.8-9.7%

Example 7

CREAM - SOUR-CULTURED 1 CUP 230G

CKAL- 493KC-22%

PROTEIN- 7.27G-15%

CARBOHYDRATE- 9.8G-4%

FAT- 48G-66%

Vit. B6- 0.037MG-1.9%

0.46 MG

18%

FOLIC ACID- 0.025MG-12.5%

0.44 MG

22%

Vit B12- 0.69MCG-35%

CALCIUM- 268MG-33%

MAGNESIUM- 26MG-7.4%

87.5 MG

25%

METHIONINE- 184MG-34%

CYSTINE- 66.7MG-12%

Example 8

CHEESE-AMERICAN-PROCESSED

CKAL- 106KC-5%

PROTEIN- 6.27G-13%

CARBOHYDRATE- 0.45G-0%

FAT- 8.8G-12%

Vit B6- 0.02MG-1%	0.44 MG	22%
FOLIC ACID- 0.002MG-1%	0.050 MG	25%
Vit B12- 0.2MCG-10%	0.50 MCG	25%
CALCIUM- 174MG-22%		
MAGNESIUM- 6MG-2%	77 MG	22%
METHIONINE- 162MG-30%		
CYSTINE- 40MG-7%		

Example 9**MILK CHOCOLATE WHOLE 1 CUP 250 G**

KCAL- 208-9%

PROTEIN- 7.9G-14%

CARBOHYDRATE- 25.9GG-7%

FAT- 48G-12%

Vit B6- 0.1MG-5%	0.5MG	25%
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FOLIC ACID- 0.012MG-6%

Vit B12- 0.835MG-42%

CALCIUM- 280MG-35%

MAGNESIUM- 33MG-9.4%

METHIONINE- 199MG-37%

CYSTINE- 73MG-13.6%

Example 10**YOGURT-PLAIN-WHOLE 1 CUP 227 G**

KCAL- 139KC-6%

PROTEIN- 7.88G-16%

CARBOHYDRATE- 10.6g-4%

FAT- 7.38g-10%

Vit B6- 0.073MG-3.65%	0.036MG	18%
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FOLIC ACID- 0.017MG-8.5%

Vit B12- 0.844MCG-42%

CALCIUM- 274MG-34%

MAGNESIUM- 26MG-9%

METHIONINE- 232MG-43%

CYSTINE- 72.6MG-13.5%

Example 11**CHEESE RICOTTA SKIM MILK 1 CUP 246G**

KCAL- 340KC-5%

PROTEIN- 28.G-56%

CARBOHYDRATE- 12G-5%

FAT- 19.6G-27%

Vit B6- 0.049MG-2.5% 2.0MG 100%

FOLIC ACID- 0.032MG-16%

Vit B12- 0.716MCG-36%

CALCIUM- 669MG-84%

MAGNESIUM- 36MG-10%

METHIONINE- 698MG-130%

CYSTINE- 246MG-46%

The invention according to additional food products is exemplified

EXAMPLE 12
A: ENRICHMENT WITHIN COMPOSITION
3205 - CHICK-DRUMSTK-NT ONLY STWED

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 46g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-ONI NE TO:	ADDED	RESULT RATIO	ADDED	RESULT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	78.00	4				
Protein - g	12.70	25				
Fat - g	2.630	4				
Methionine - mg	350	82				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.100	6	3500	0.2(10%)	1167	0.5(25%)
Folate - ug*	4.000	2	87.5	20(10%)	14.6	50g(25%)
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.110	6				
Magnesium - mg	10.00	4	35	35(10%)	7.78	-

*Ratio methionine:Folic expressed in following tables in mg/ug.

EXAMPLE 13
B: ENRICHMENT BY EXTERNAL APPLICATION OF ENRICHED SAUCE
3205 - CHICK-DRUMSTK-NT ONLY STWED

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 46g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	78.00	4				
Protein - g	12.70	25				
Fat - g	2.630	4				
Methionine - mg	350	82				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.100	6	3500			
Folate - ug	4.000	2	87.5			
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.110	6				
Magnesium - mg	10.00	4	35			

2246 - HOT MUSTARD SAUCE

SERVING SIZE: 1 SERVING 30g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHIO- NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	70.00	3				
Protein - g	0.500	1				
Fat - g	3.600	5				
Methionine - mg	no data	no data		0.2(10%)		
Vitamin B6 - mg	no data	no data		20(10%)		0.5(25%)
Folate - ug	no data	no data				50(25%)
Vitamin B12 - ug	no data	no data		35(10%)		-
Magnesium - mg	no data	no data		35(10%)		

3205+2246 - THE COMBINATION OF
CHICK-DRUMSTK-NT ONLY STWD + ENRICHED HOT
MUSTARD SAUCE

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 46g 1 SERVING 30g	% OF RDA	RATI O METHI- ONINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	148	7				
Protein - g	13.20	26				
Fat - g	6.230	8				
Methionine - mg	350	82				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.100	6	3500. 0	0.2mg/ 30ml (0.66mg/ 100ml)	1167	0.5mg/ 30ml (1.66mg/ 100ml)
Folate - ug	4.000	2	87.5	20ug/ 30ml (66ug/ 100ml)	14.6	50ug/ 30ml (166ug/ 100ml)
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.110	6				
Magnesium - mg	10.00	4	35.0	35mg/ 30ml (116/100ml)	7.78	-

EXAMPLE 14

EXAMPLE : MODIFICATION WITHIN 100-3000 RANGE

3199 - CHICK-BREAST-MEAT ONLY STWD

A: ORGINAL COMPOSITION

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 190g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	288	10					
Protein - g	55.00	87					
Fat - g	5.760	6					
Methionine - mg	1524	284					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.640	32	2381.2 5				
Folate - ug	6.000	3	254.0				
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.440	22					
Magnesium - mg	44.00	13	34.636				

1128 - SAUCE-TOMATO-MUSHROOM-CAN

B: ENRICHING A COMPATIBLE SAUCE

SERVING SIZE: 1 CUP 245g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	85.80	4					
Protein - g	3.550	7					
Fat - g	0.319	-					
Methionine - mg	34.30	8					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.326	20	105.2	0.75	34	1.5	18.8
Folate - ug	23.00	13	1.49	75.0	0.35	100.0	0.28
Vitamin B12 - ug	-	-	-				
Magnesium - mg	46.60	17	0.736				

3199+1128 - THE COMBINATION OF CHICK-BREAST-MEAT**ONLY STWD + ENRICHED****SAUCE-TOMATO-MUSHROOM-CAN**

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 190g 1 CUP 245g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	374	17				
Protein - g	58.55	117				
Fat - g	6.079	8				
Methionine - mg	1558	367				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.966	60	1622.9	0.75	907	1.5
Folate - ug	29.00	16	53.72	75	15.0	100
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.440	22				
Magnesium - mg	90.60	32	17.196	61.0	10.3	-

EXAMPLE 15**1274 - CHICKEN-BREAST-STEWED**

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 220g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	404	18				
Protein - g	60.30	121				
Fat - g	16.30	22				
Methionine - mg	1630	384				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.640	40	2546.8 7			
Folate - ug	6.000	3	271.66 6			
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.460	23				
Magnesium - mg	48.00	17	33.958			

1815 - SAUCE-SOY TAMARI

SERVING SIZE: 5 TBSP/D 90g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	54.00	2					
Protein - g	9.450	15					
Fat - g	0.090	-					
Methionine - mg	151	28					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.180	9	838.88	0.2mg (10%)	397	0.5mg (25%)	222
Folate - ug	16.40	8	9.207	20ug (10%)	4.14	50ug (25%)	2.27
Vitamin B12 - ug	-	-					
Magnesium - mg	36.00	10	4.1944				

1274+1815 - THE COMBINATION OF
CHICKEN-BREAST-STEWED + ENRICHED
SAUCE-SOY-TAMARI

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 220g 5 TBSP/D 90g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	458	16					
Protein - g	69.75	111					
Fat - g	16.39	17					
Methionine - mg	1780	332					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.820	41	2170.7 3	0.2mg (10%)	1754	0.5mg (25%)	1348
Folate - ug	22.40	11	79.464	20ug (10%)	40.09	50ug (25%)	24.6
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.460	23					
Magnesium - mg	84.00	24	21.190				

EXAMPLE 16

918 - EGG SUBSTITUTE - LIQUID

SERVING SIZE: 1 CUP 251G	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	211	10				
Protein - g	30.1	60				
Fat - g	8.3	11				
Methionine - mg	1067	251				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.008	1	133.4	0.5(25%)	2134	1.0(50%)
Folate - ug	37.4	21	28.5	50ug (25%)	12	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.748	37				
Magnesium - mg	21.9	8	48.7	35(10)	18.7	87.5 (25%)
						9.9

ENRICHMENT BY EXTERNAL DRESSING**159 -FISH-TUNA/CAN OIL - DRAINED****A.ORIGINAL COMPOSITION**

SERVING SIZE - 1 SERVING 85g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESULT RATIO	ADDED	RESULT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	168	6				
Protein - g	24.80	39				
Fat - g	6.980	7				
Methionine - mg	733	137				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.094	5	7797.9			
Folate - ug	4.510	2	162.52			
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.870	94	478.9			
Magnesium - mg	26.40	8	27.765		-	-

941 - SAL DRESS-SESAME SEED**B: ENRICHING A COMPATABLE DRESSING**

SERVING SIZE - 3 TBSP - 45g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESUL T RATIO	ADDED	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	203	9				
Protein - g	1.500	3				
Fat - g	20.70	7				
Methionine - mg	13.32	3				
Vitamin B6 - mg	-	-	-	1mg/100ml (25%)		
Folate - ug	-	-	-	100ug/ 100ml		
Vitamin B12 - ug	-	-	-			
Magnesium - mg	0.000	-	-	70mg/ 100ml	-	-

159 + 941 - THE COMBINATION OF TUNA FISH***+ ENRICHED SAL DRESS SESAM SEED**

SERVING SIZE 85g FISH + 45g SAL-DRESS	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	371	17				
Protein - g	26.30	53				
Fat - g	27.68	38				
Methionine - mg	746	176				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.094	6	7936	0.45mg	1371	
Folate - ug	4.510	3	165	45ug	15.0	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.870	94				
Magnesium - mg	26.40	9	28	31.5mg	12.9	

* GENERIC COMPOSITION

EXAMPLE 18

1596 - FISH-SALMON PATTY

SERVING SIZE- 1 SERVING 100g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	239	8					
Protein - g	15.8	25					
Fat - g	12.4	13					
Methionine - mg	783	146					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.07	4	11186	0.2mg (10%)	2900	0.5mg (25%)	1374
Folate - ug	13.0	7	60.23	26	20	-	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	3.000	150					
Magnesium - mg	34.0	10	23.029	10	17.8	-	-

EXAMPLE 19

149 -FISH STICKS-BREAD-FROZ-COOK

SERVING SIZE- 1 OUNCE 28.350g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	77.06	3					
Protein - g	4.432	7					
Fat - g	3.464	4					
Methionine - mg	120	22					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.017	1	7058.8	0.023	3000	0.063	1500
Folate - ug	5.161	3	23.25				
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.509	25					
Magnesium - mg	7.088	2	16.930			-	-

EXAMPLE 20

1840 -FISH - SURIMI

SERVING SIZE- 1 SERVING 100g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO	ADDED	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	84.20	3				
Protein - g	12.90	20				
Fat - g	0.765	1				
Methionine - mg	438	82				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.026	1	16846.1	0.12	3000	0.26
Folate - ug	1.360	1	322.05 8	23.0	18.0	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.360	68				
Magnesium - mg	36.60	10	11.967	-	-	-

EXAMPLE 21

1325 - POLISH SAUSAGE - PORK

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 227g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	740	26				
Protein - g	32.00	51				
Fat - g	65.20	67				
Methionine - mg	860	160				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.420	21	2047.6	0.15	1508	
Folate - ug	4.540	2	189.42 7	4.5	18.4	
Vitamin B12 - ug	2.230	111				
Magnesium - mg	32.00	9	26.875	-	-	

EXAMPLE 22

1883 - HAMBURGER-GROUND-REG-FREID

SERVING SIZE: 1 SERVTNG/D 85g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	260	9				
Protein - g	20.30	32				
Fat - g	19.20	20				
Methionine - mg	520	97				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.204	10	2549.0 2	0.15	1469	-
Folate - ug	7.650	4	67.974	45	9.9	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	2.300	115				
Magnesium - mg	17.00	5	30.588	18	14.9	-

EXAMPLE 23

1331 - COREND BEEF LOAF-JELLIED

SERVING SIZE: 1 SLICE 28.4g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	43.50	2				
Protein - g	6.500	10				
Fat - g	1.700	2				
Methionine - mg	143	27				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.034	2	4205.8 8	0.014	2979	-
Folate - ug	2.270	1	62.995	5.68	18.0	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.360	18				
Magnesium - mg	3.000	1	47.666	4.0	20	-

EXAMPLE 24

3302 - LAMB-GROUND-CKD-BROILED

SERVING SIZE: 1 SERVING 85g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	240	8				
Protein - g	21.00	33				
Fat - g	16.70	17				
Methionine - mg	540	101				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.120	6	4500	0.08	2701	0.33
Folate - ug	16.00	8	33.75	34	10.8	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	2.220	111				
Magnesium - mg	21.00	6	25.714	9	18	-

EXAMPLE 25

202 - FRANKFURTER-HOT DOG - NO BUN

SERVING SIZE: 1 ITEM 57g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO	ADDE D	RESU LT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	183	6				
Protein - g	6.430	10				
Fat - g	16.60	17				
Methionine - mg	130	24				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.080	4	1625.0	0.023	1262	-
Folate - ug	2.00	1	65.0	5.2	18	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.740	37				
Magnesium - mg	6.00	2	21.666			

EXAMPLE 26

(12) - CHEESE-MOZZARELLA-WHL MILK**A: ENRICHMENT WITHIN THE PRODUCT COMPOSITION**

SERVING SIZE 1 OUNCE 28.35g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESU LT	ADDE D	RESU LT
Kilocalories - kc	79.86	3				
Protein - g	5.5	9				
Fat - g	6.109	6				
Methionine - mg	154	29				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.016	1	9625	0.05	2333	0.2
Folate - ug	1.996	1	77.154	10ug	7.7	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.185	9	832.43			
Magnesium - mg	4.991	1	30.855			

EXAMPLE 27

(18) - CHEESE-RICOTTA-WHOLE MILK

SERVING SIZE 1 ITEM 246g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T	ADDE D	RESUL T
Kilocalories - kc	428	15				
Protein - g	27.0	44				
Fat - g	31.9	33				
Methionine - mg	690	129				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.106	5	6509.4	0.142	2851	0.6
Folate - ug	30.00	15	23	28.3	11.8	56.7
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.831	42	830.32			8.0
Magnesium - mg	28.00	8	24.643			

EXAMPLE 28

(21) - CHEESE-SWISS

SERVING SIZE 1 OUNCE 28.35g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	107	4				
Protein - g	8.046	13				
Fat - g	7.766	8				
Methionine - mg	222	41				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.024	1	9250	0.075	2220	0.150
Folate - ug	1.996	1	111.22	9.0	20.2	20.0
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.474	24	468.35			
Magnesium - mg	10.08	3	22.019			

EXAMPLE 29

(11) - CHEESE - CREAM

SERVING SIZE 1 OUNCE 28.35g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-ON INE TO:	ADDED	RESULT RATIO	ADDE D	RESULT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	99.82	3				
Protein - g	2.166	3				
Fat - g	9.982	10				
Methionine - mg	51.509	10				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.013	1	3962.23	0.02	1619	0.05
Folate - ug	4.043	2	12.740	-	-	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.122	6	422.205			
Magnesium - mg	2.026	1	25.423			

EXAMPLE 30

(10) - CHEESE-COTTAGE - UNCREAMED

SERVING SIZE 1 CUP 145g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESULT RATIO	ADDE D	RESULT RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	123	4				
Protein - g	25.00	40				
Fat - g	0.610	1				
Methionine - mg	754	141				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.119	6	6336.1	0.15	2803	0.64
Folate - ug	21.00	11	35.904	30	14.8	-
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.200	60	628.33			
Magnesium - mg	6.000	2	125.66			

(36) - CREAM-SOUR-CULTURED

SERVING SIZE 1 CUP 230g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	493	22				
Protein - g	7.270	15				
Fat - g	48.20	66				
Methionine - mg	184	43				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.037	2	4973	0.030	2746	0.10
Folate - ug	25.00	14	7.36			
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.690	35				
Magnesium - mg	26.00	9	7.077			

(22) - CHEESE-AMERICAN-PROCESSED

SERVING SIZE 1 OUNCE 28.35g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	105	5				
Protein - g	6.269	13				
Fat - g	8.844	12				
Methionine - mg	162	38				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.020	1	8100	0.034	3000	0.08
Folate - ug	1.996	1	4.5	24.9	18.0	8.1
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.197	10				
Magnesium - mg	5.989	2	27.049	10	10.12	

(54) - MILK-1% FAT-LOWFAT-FLUID

SERVING SIZE 1 CUP 244g	% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	102	5				
Protein - g	8.030	16				
Fat - g	2.590	4				
Methionine - mg	201	47				
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.105	7	1914.3	0.025	1546	-
Folate - ug	12.00	7	16.75			
Vitamin B12 - ug	0.898	45				
Magnesium - mg	34.00	12	5.9117			

(93) YOGURT-PLAIN-LOWFAT

SERVING SIZE 1 CUP 227g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	144	7					
Protein - g	11.90	24					
Fat - g	3.520	5					
Methionine - mg	351	83					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.111	7	3162.2	0.04	2324	0.2	1129
Folate - ug	25.00	14	14.04				
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.280	64					
Magnesium - mg	40.00	14	8.775				

(16) - CHEESE-COTTAGE-WITH FRUIT

SERVING SIZE 1 CUP 226g		% OF RDA	RATIO METHI-O NINE TO:	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO	ADDE D	RESUL T RATIO
Kilocalories - kc	279	13					
Protein - g	22.40	45					
Fat - g	7.680	10					
Methionine - mg	673	158					
Vitamin B6 - mg	0.120	8	5608.3	0.12	2804	0.32	1530
Folate - ug	22.00	12	30.59	23	14.9		
Vitamin B12 - ug	1.120	56					
Magnesium - mg	9.000	3	74.77	36	15.0		

An equation which may be used for the method of modifying dairy and other products are presented here. This equation is as follows: For vitamin B6, an enriching equation is:

$$\frac{Vm^*}{10000} \times \frac{Vm^*}{2680} = B6(\text{mg}) \text{ (to be added)}$$

*Vm=methionine value

These equations enable the calculation of the amount of B6, folic acid and magnesium to be added to each product to reduce the ratio of methionine: other additive. This is different than a regular approach to enrichment, and usually the amount of B6 to be added in order to reduce the ratio significantly are smaller compared to the amounts usually accepted in "enrichment". Another advantage is that one does not necessarily need to know the amount of B6 in the specific product and the added B6 is based more on the amount of methionine which is more stable and does not change like B6 does.

An example will present the relevant and functionality of the equation:

Cheese (ricotta-skim milk) 698(meth-mg) and 0.049(B6-mg). $698 : 10000 \times (1 + 698 : 2680) = 0.088$ B6 to be added whereas the initial meth:B6 ratio is 14245:1, following the calculation and accordingly adding 0.088, the new ratio between meth: B6 is now $698 : (0.049 + 0.088 = 0.137) = 5095$.

This means that with small amount of added B6, which is only 4% of the daily recommendation we attain a reduction of meth:B6 from 14245 to 5095. The equation is based on mathematic processing of the ratios as well as the absolute amounts.

Another example of the equation:

Cheese (cottage uncreamed) 754(meth-mg), 0106(B6-mg) meth:B6 ratio=6336 $754 : 10000 \times (1 + 754 : 2680) = 0.0965$. When adding this to the internal B6 in the product, the ratio is now: $754 : 0.2156 = 3497$. It means that adding 0.0965, which is only 4.8 % of the daily allowance, reduced the ratio from 6336 to 3497; namely by 45%. Lower methionine "portions" reduce the multiplying factor: Fish Stick (Breaded frozen and cooked) (46g) contains 120mg METH, 0.017 mg B6 and the ratio is 7059 : 1. $12 : 10000 \times (1 + 120 : 2680) = 0.0125$. Following adding this amount to the portion, the calculated ratio was reduced from 7059 to 4000. Meaning reducing the ratio by the ratio reduced by at least 44% by adding 0.6% of the RDA for B6.

CLAIMS

1. Food products having a reduced modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg) comprised of:
 - (a) a food product having a base (starting) methionine: vitamin B6 ratio; and
 - (b) at least one source of vitamin B6 sufficient to reduce the methionine: vitamin B6 ratio to the preselected ratio.
2. Food products having a modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg.) in which the ratio of methionine vitamin B6 (mg/mg) is reduced to a range of 100 - 3,000 : 1.
3. Food products having a modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg) according to Claim 1, wherein said ratio is reduced to a range of 300 - 2,000 : 1.
4. Food products having a modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg) according to Claim 2, wherein said ratio is reduced to a range of 450 - 1,000 : 1.
5. Food products according to any of Claims 1 to 3, further comprising a modified methionine: folic acid ratio, wherein the ratio of methionine: folic acid (mg/mcg) is reduced to a range of 1.5 - 30 : 1.
6. Food products further comprising a modified methionine: folic acid ratio according to Claim 4, wherein said ratio is reduced to 3.5 - 15 : 1.
7. Food products further comprising a modified methionine: folic acid ratio according to Claim 5, wherein said ratio is reduced to 5 - 9 : 1.
8. Food products having a modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg) according to Claim 1, further comprising a modified methionine: magnesium ratio, wherein the ratio of methionine: magnesium (mg/mg) is reduced to 2 - 30 : 1.
9. Food products having a modified methionine: magnesium ratio (mg/mg) according to Claim 7, wherein said ratio is reduced to 3 - 18 : 1.
10. Food products having a modified methionine: magnesium ratio (mg/mg) according to Claim 8, wherein said ratio is reduced to 6 - 15 : 1.
11. A method of modifying food products having a base (starting) methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg) to a reduced, preselected methionine: vitamin B6 ratio, said

- method comprising adding to said food product at least one source of vitamin B6 sufficient to reduce the methionine vitamin B6 ratio to the preselected ratio.
12. A method of modifying food products having a methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mcr) of greater than 3,000 : 1 to a reduced, preselected methionine: vitamin B6 ratio in the range of 100 - 3,000 : 1, said method comprising adding to said food products at least one vitamin B6 source in sufficient quantity to reduce the methionine: vitamin B6 ratio to the reduced, preselected ratio of between 100 - 3,000 : 1.
13. A modified food product having a modified methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg), said food product comprising:
- (i) a food product having a methionine: vitamin B6 ratio of greater than 3,000 : 1, and
 - (ii) at least one source of vitamin B6 in an amount sufficient to reduce the methionine: vitamin B6 ratio in said food product to below 3,000 : 1.
14. An additive for food products having a methionine: vitamin B6 ratio (mg/mg), greater than 3,000 : 1, said additive and said food products forming a final food product, said additive comprising at least one source of vitamin B6, said additive being present in said final food product in an amount sufficient to reduce the methionine: vitamin B6 ratio to below 3,000 : 1.
15. An additive composition for food products, said additive composition comprising at least one source of vitamin B6, at least one source of folic acid, and at least one source of magnesium, said source of vitamin B6 present in the final food composition in an amount sufficient to reduce the methionine: vitamin B6 (mg/mg) ratio to between 100-3,000 : 1, said at least one source of folic acid present in an amount sufficient to reduce the methionine: folic acid (mg/mg) ratio to between 1.5 - 30 : 1, and said at least one source of magnesium present in the final food product composition to provide a methionine: magnesium (mg/mg) ratio of between 2 - 30 : 1.

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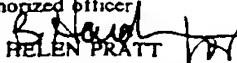
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